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director's notes

Newsletter editor Dave Stockdale has graciously allotted a bit more space for my "director's notes" this issue so that Arboretum Director John Wott and I can share with you our excitement about a new Master Plan for our beloved Washington Park Arboretum.

Sixty wonderful years. From the time of James Dawson's original master plan in 1937, through Brian Mulligan's twenty-five years as Director, and to the present day, the Arboretum has been among the most botanically rich gardens in the United States. Its 230 acres showcase internationally recognized collections of oaks, conifers, Japanese maples, and hollies, as well as popular displays such as the Joseph Witt Winter Garden and the New Zealand High Country Exhibit. More than 4,400 different species and cultivated varieties are displayed against a backdrop of Northwest native trees. Over the years hundreds of thousands of visitors have come to learn about trees and shrubs, to generate ideas for their gardens, and to lose themselves in the Arboretum's beauty and grandeur. Last year alone 12,000 adults took classes and tours, 2,000 schoolchildren participated in "Saplings," and volunteers donated over 80,000 hours of service.

Challenges for the future. We are proud of the Arboretum's history of education and community service, but we along with our collaborators in the Arboretum Foundation and the Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation feel that we cannot rest on our laurels. If the Arboretum is to fulfill its potential in the next sixty years, six issues must be addressed now: 1) education, 2) plant collections, 3) plant health, 4) balance of museum and park roles, 5) security of people and plants, and 6) visitor amenities.

Education, collections, and plant health. The Arboretum can do much more to educate students, children, families, landscape professionals, and everyone who cares about ecology, gardening, and conservation. We have a duty to reach as many people as possible with our message of environmental stewardship. Many of the Arboretum's present collection displays are informative only to the botanically trained, and mean little to most visitors who clamor for more displays with **ecological** and **gardening** themes. And of course plants have little educational value if they are dying from old age, overcrowding, or from being overcome by fast-growing native trees and exotic weeds.

People in the Arboretum. Recreational use of Washington Park must be balanced with the Arboretum's primary mission of education and conservation. Varied uses of the Arboretum must be made more compatible with each other. Safety of person and property in this park also has become an increasingly urgent concern, and even plants are too often subject to theft and vandalism. As we enhance the Arboretum to attract more visitors, we must address their needs for restrooms, shelters, and other necessary amenities.

A new "greenprint" for the future. Three years ago, the University, City, and Foundation concluded after reviewing the above issues that planning the Arboretum's future in a piecemeal fashion made little sense. The Arboretum and its many users throughout the Pacific Northwest would be better served by a new Master Plan. We then hired a world-renowned and Seattle-based design firm, The Portico Group, to create a new plan. Over the next two years, Portico sought broad input through surveys, panel discussions, open houses, and other forums involving Foundation members, educators, home gardeners, landscape professionals, environmental advocates, neighborhood residents, and devotees of historic preservation and cultural resources. Armed with all your input, Portico worked with Arboretum management to create the new plan, which was unveiled last fall.

Highlights of the Plan. The draft master plan is an imposing document with numerous concepts for landscaping, plant displays, facilities, education, and a thorough analysis of its financial implications. I encourage you to peruse a copy at the Miller Library, at the Graham Visitors Center, or at the main or Montlake branches of the Seattle Public Library. Highlights are many, starting with many more educational programs for all the Arboretum's audiences. Effective education requires, naturally, reconfiguring the plant collections so that more visitors can learn from them. Many existing displays, such as the oaks and legumes, will be strengthened. New **ecological** exhibits, clustered in the south end, will immerse visitors in recreations of the forests of Chile, the Mediterranean, New Zealand, China, and Japan. New **horticultural** exhibits will include a Color Garden, a Summer Garden, a Children's Arboretum, and a Rockery. Wetland environments will increase as the small trickling Arboretum Creek will have its headwaters "daylighted" to flow through the Arboretum instead of sewer lines at Madison Street. Even as the displays change gradually over many years, the Arboretum will maintain the Olmstedian naturalistic ambience we so love.

And there's more! Improved plant care is essential in the future, and must be provided for in future financial planning. As more people are attracted to the Arboretum, new facilities are required; so The Plan calls for a revised Visitors Center, a small classroom space at the north end, open shelters for children's environmental education on Foster Island, a new small complex of facilities called Madrona Terrace at the hill crest in the south end, the long-awaited pavilion in the Japanese Garden, and consolidated parking with somewhat greater capacity at both ends of Washington Park. Pedestrian access and safety also will be increased by additional overpasses over Lake Washington Boulevard, upgraded pathways, and a dedicated bicycle path.

What's next? John Wott and I know you all will find a lot to like in the new plan, and are eager to hear your helpful comments about particular aspects, both positive and negative. Over the next several months we will be presenting the Plan, with a slide show, to any group wishing to discuss the Arboretum's future (so get in touch with us!). Also, the Plan's "Environmental Impact Statement" phase will take place over the summer, with more rounds of official public comment. That will lead to further improvements to the Plan and then to approval by Seattle's Mayor and City Council and the University's President and Board of Regents.

What can you do to help? We hope you will join our quest, as a member of the Arboretum Foundation, as a volunteer, and as an active supporter of an exciting future. The Arboretum can and should be one of the most loved and utilized natural and cultural resources in the the region. We look forward to working with you to make that dream a reality.

Clement Hamilton, Director, Center for Urban Horticulture

construction demonstrations

Programs in this series each include a brief review of design considerations, a discussion of the materials needed (including materials options, determining amounts needed, costs, and where to find them), a review of the tools required and their use, plus a demonstration of the construction techniques necessary to complete projects on your own.

Designing & Building Wooden Fences

Date & Time: Saturday, July 25, from 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Tom Penticoff, Owner, Garden View Landscaping
Location: Local home site (directions sent with registration confirmation)
Fee: $27 general public, $24 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required

Designing & Installing Stone, Brick or Paver Patios & Pathways

Date & Time: Saturday, August 8, from 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Tory Galloway, Owner, Piriformas Garden Center
Location: Local home site (directions sent with registration confirmation)
Fee: $27 general public, $24 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required

calendar of events

july

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12 1pm, UB Puget Sound Bonsai Association Potluck **Every Sunday:** 1pm, WPA Sunday at One Guided Tour	**13** 7pm, UB Orchid Society	**14** 12:30pm, WPA Tuesdays in the Garden Work Party: Rhododendron Glen	**1** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Foster Island & the Waterfront Trail **8** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Reed-Passage People **15** 1:30pm* NHS Lecture: Border Maintenance 7pm, UB* Gardeners on the Go: Hot Destinations Around Puget Sound	**16** 7:30pm, UB* WSU Lecture: Starting & Growing Winter Vegetables		**11** 9am* Bainbridge Garden Tour 10am, WPA* Nature Crafts: Basketry Materials from the Garden **18** 9am, WPA* Arboretum Plant Study Program **25** 9am* Construction Demo: Fences 9am, UB* NHS Symposium: Great Gardens' Gardeners **Every Saturday:** 1pm, WPA Saturday at One Guided Tour

august

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2 2pm, WPA* Behind the Scenes: New Zealand High Country Exhibit **16** 2:30pm, UB Cactus Society **Every Sunday:** 1pm, WPA Sunday at One Guided Tour	**24** 7pm, UB Puget Sound Bonsai Association	**11** 12:30pm, WPA Tuesdays in the Garden Work Party: Pinetum	**12** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Southern Exposure 7pm, UB PlantAmnesty **19** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Azalea Way- Heart of the Arboretum **26** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Foster Island & the Waterfront Trail			**1** 9am, WPA* Arboretum Plant Study Program 9am, WPA* Field Sketching 9am* Whidbey Island Garden Tour **8** 9am* Construction Demo: Patios & Pathways **15** 9am, WPA* Arboretum Plant Study Program **22** 9am, UB* Native Plant Propagation Workshop 10am, WPA* Nature Crafts: Pressed Flowers **Every Saturday:** 1pm, WPA Saturday at One Guided Tour

september

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20 12pm, UB Northwest Perennial Alliance 2:30pm, UB Cascade Cactus & Succulent Society **27** 11am, UB PlantAmnesty CUH/NHS California Garden Tour Returns **Every Sunday:** 1pm, WPA Sunday at One Guided Tour	**14** 7pm, UB Orchid Society 7:30pm, UB Iris Society **28** 7pm, UB Puget Sound Bonsai Association	**8** 7:30pm, UB Puget Sound Mycological Society 12:30pm, WPA Tuesdays in the Garden Work Party: Viburnums **15** 7:30pm Rose Society **22** 6:30pm, UB Assoc. Women in Landscaping CUH/NHS California Garden Tour Departs	**2** 6:30pm, WPA* Summer Stroll: Reed-Passage People **9** 1:30pm NHS Class: Tropical Borders **16** 7:30pm, UB* NHS Lecture: West Coast Gardens	**10** 7:40pm, UB Rock Garden Society **17** 9am* WSU Lecture: Harvesting, Saving & Using Herbs 7pm, UB Audubon Society	**25** 4-9pm, UB NHS Fall Plant Sale	**12** 9am, UB* Design Studio: Small Urban Gardens **19** 9am, WPA* Arboretum Plant Study Program 10am, WPA* Nature Crafts: Dried Flower Wreaths **26** 9am-4pm, UB NHS Fall Plant Sale **Every Saturday:** 1pm, WPA Saturday at One Guided Tour

UB = Union Bay Campus
WPA = Washington Park Arboretum
* = Fee

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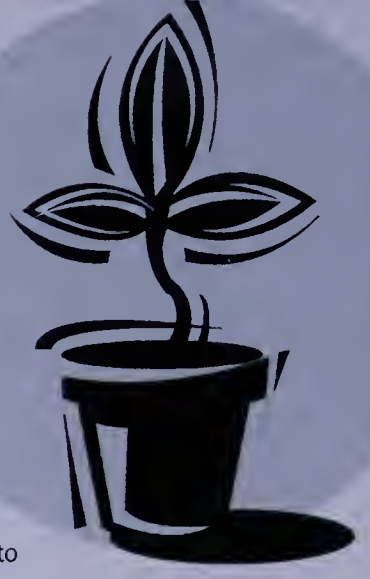

NATIVE PLANT PROPAGATION WORKSHOP: NATIVE PLANTS FROM SEED

This is the second in a series of three special Native Plant Propagation Workshops coproduced by the Center for Urban Horticulture and the Washington Native Plant Society.

Date & Time: Lecture and hands-on workshop, Saturday, August 22, from 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Jim Ellingboe, Certified Nurseryman, member of the Washington Native Plant Society
Location: Isaacson Classroom, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $35; pre-registration required, workshop size limited

Nursery sources for many native plants are difficult to find. Eliminate the search and learn to propagate native plants from seed. Discover which native plants can be successfully propagated by seed, when and how to collect and prepare the seeds, and how to best germinate them. Lecture will be followed by demonstrations plus hands-on projects.

special events

SUMMER GARDEN SERIES

The summer series is being cosponsored by the Center for Urban Horticulture and the UW Alumni Association. Use the special sign-up form below and **mail your registrations directly to the UW Alumni Association office**; do NOT mail forms to CUH.

LECTURE-

Gardeners on the Go: Hot Destinations Around Puget Sound

Date & Time: Slide lecture, Wednesday, July 15, from 7 to 9 p.m.
Instructor: Stephanie Feeney, Author of *Northwest Gardeners Resource Directory* and *Gardeners on the Go*
Location: NHS Hall, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $12 general public, $10 UW Alumni Association members; pre-registration required

Join us for this colorful slide lecture packed with ideas of inspired gardening-related destinations for one and two day excursions around Puget Sound, including nurseries, open gardens, shops and gardens to enjoy at Bed & Breakfast Inns and restaurants along the way.

TOURS-

Bainbridge in Bloom Garden Tour

Date & Time: Saturday, July 11, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Departure: Depart from parking lot adjacent to Douglas Conservatory, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $48 general public, $43 UW Alumni Association members, fee includes transportation, tickets & lunch; pre-registration required, tour size limited

Great gardens await on the 10th Annual Bainbridge in Bloom Garden Tour. Six beautiful and diverse gardens will be featured on this tour, including the newest creation of garden writer Ann Lovejoy. Activities along the way include a garden art and craft fair, book and plant sales, lectures, plus lunch at one of the gardens.

Whidbey Island Garden Tour

Date & Time: Saturday, August 1, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Departure: Depart from parking lot adjacent to Douglas Conservatory, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $48 general public, $43 UW Alumni Association members, fee includes transportation, tickets & lunch; pre-registration required, tour size limited

A cozy town garden, a colorful cutting garden, and a native plant garden are just three of the six great gardens that will be featured on the 3rd annual Whidbey Island Garden Tour. Join us for this special opportunity to enjoy the beautiful gardens and countryside of Whidbey Island. Leave the driving to us!

SPECIAL REGISTRATION FORM: Summer Garden Series

Gardeners on the Go (lecture) ___ $12 general public ___ $10 UW Alumni Association members X _____ (# of tickets) = $ _____

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TOTAL AMOUNT = $ _____

Make checks or money orders payable to: UW Alumni Association; Visa/MC accepted

MAIL REGISTRATION & PAYMENT TO: Summer Garden Series
UW Alumni Association
1415 NE 45th St
Seattle WA 98105

FAX FORM, CREDIT CARD# TO: (206) 685-0611

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City **State** **Zip** _____

Phone – (day) (evening) **Fax** _____

gardening & horticulture programs

Field Sketching

Date & Time: Hands-on course, Saturday, August 1, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with lunch break (lunch not provided)
Instructor: Louise Smith, Botanical Illustrator & Instructor
Location: Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Abroretum
Fee: $40 general public, $35 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required

Ever wanted to capture a plant or garden scene for future reference while you were out and about? Learn and practice the skills necessary for creating quick yet accurate field sketches in this introductory level course which combines lecture, practice sketching, and work evaluation.

WSU Practical Gardening Lectures

These entry level lectures and demonstrations for beginning gardeners are planned jointly with the WSU Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Program, and are presented by experienced WSU Master Gardeners and Cooperative Extension staff.

Starting and Growing Winter Vegetables

Date & Time: Thursday, July 16, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.
Instructor: Sally Anne Sadler, WSU Cooperative Extension Program Assistant
Location: Isaacson Classroom, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $5; pre-registration required

Harvesting, Saving and Using Herbs

Date & Time: Thursday, September 17, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.
Instructor: Sheila Cutler, WSU Master Gardener
Location: Douglas Classroom, CUH Union Bay Campus
Fee: $5; pre-registration required

af nature crafts

This series provides hands-on opportunities to make and take home a variety of plant and plant-related projects. Planned and instructed under the leadership of the Arboretum Foundation Natural Crafts Study Group and the Arboretum Foundation Education Committee, these programs require advance registration through the Arboretum Foundation office by phoning 726-1954. *Please do not send registrations to the University.*

Basketry Materials from the Garden

Date & Time: Saturday, July 11, from 10 a.m. to Noon
Location: Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum (WPA)
Fee: $15 non-members, $10 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, call 726-1954.

Botanical Gift Ideas Using Pressed Flowers

Date & Time: Saturday, August 22, from 10 a.m. to Noon
Location: Graham Visitors Center, WPA
Fee: $15 non-members, $10 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, call 726-1954.

Dried Flower Wreaths

Date & Time: Saturday, September 19, from 10 a.m. to Noon
Location: Graham Visitors Center, WPA
Fee: $20 non-members, $15 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, call 726-1954.

walks & tours

Tour: PRIVATE & PUBLIC GARDENS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

September 22-27

There are still a few spaces left on this Center for Urban Horticulture and Northwest Horticulture Society co-sponsored tour to visit private and public gardens, nurseries and other sites in sunny Los Angeles and Santa Barbara. Your guides are CUH's Dave Stockdale and Richard Hartlage, Director/Curator of the Miller Botanical Garden. In Santa Barbara we will visit such sites as the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Keck Garden, Mission Santa Barbara & Gardens, San Marcos Nursery, and the amusing and unusual Ganna Walska Lotusland. In Los Angeles we will tour the Virginia Robinson Gardens, Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, Huntington Botanic Garden, the private garden of famed designer Chris Rosmini plus other private gardens she has designed, a number of other special private gardens, and a garden and collections tour at the new Getty Museum.

For a brochure with complete itinerary and detailed descriptions of each site, plus costs and sign-up information, please contact Dave Stockdale or Jean Robins at the Center for Urban Horticulture at (206) 685-8033. The sign-up deadline is July 31.

Summer Strolls

Presented by CUH-Washington Park Arboretum and the Museum of History and Industry. Join Museum and Arboretum experts to explore this living museum's history and natural beauty. All strolls begin at 6:30 p.m. and last about 90 minutes.

Fees: Members $10, non-members $12; sign up for three or more strolls and receive a 15% discount

Topics & Dates: **Southern Exposure**, Wednesday, June 17 or Wednesday, August 12, 6:30 p.m. each night
Azalea Way: Heart of the Arboretum, Wednesday, June 24 or Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 p.m. each night
Foster Island and the Waterfront Trail, Wednesday, July 1 or Wednesday, August 26, 6:30 p.m. each night
The Reed-Passage People: Native American History, Wednesday, July 8 or Wednesday, September 2, 6:30 p.m. each night

To Register: Contact the Museum of History and Industry at (206) 324-1126; pre-registration is required and space is limited.

Behind the Scenes

Behind the Scenes is a new staff-guided field study program designed to explore the plant collections of the Washington Park Arboretum.

The New Zealand High Country Exhibit

Date & Time: Sunday, August 2, 2 to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Barbara Selemon, Plant Propagator, UW CUH, Washington Park Arboretum (WPA)
Location: Depart from the south patio of the Graham Visitors Center, WPA
Fee: $5 general public, $3 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required

Guided Tours of the Arboretum

Enjoy the seasonal beauty of colorful leaves, flowers, fruits and barks in the Arboretum. Tours led by trained Arboretum guides are 60 to 90 minutes in length and are available to groups with a three week advance reservation. Topics available are Seasonal Tours, Native Plants & Ethnobotany, and Foster Island Ecology. The fee is $15 per 15 persons; $10 per 15 for Arboretum Foundation members. Call (206) 543-8800 to reserve a guide or for more information.

Weekend Walks at One

Every Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m., FREE public tours depart from the Graham Visitors Center in the Arboretum. Walks highlight areas and collections of seasonal interest. Walks are not offered in December, on holidays, or on Husky home football game Saturdays.

youth & family programs

For more information or to schedule any of the following programs, please contact the Arboretum education office, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at (206) 543-8800. You may also call to request a free School Program Guide which offers a detailed listing of Arboretum educational programs available to educators and parents.

Arboretum Adventures Program

Arboretum Adventures is a new program that provides children ages 6-12 the opportunity to explore the natural world around them through interactive tours and hands-on art and science activities. Programs are on the third Sunday of every month, FREE, and require pre-registration.

Arboretum Explorer Packs

Lead your own group or family on an exploration of the Arboretum. **Marsh Madness** or **Tree-tective** packs are equipped with field guides, magnifying lenses and activity ideas to help you learn about the habitats, plants, animals, and insects found in the Arboretum. A two-hour rental fee is $15 for a group of 7 or more, $5 for 6 or fewer, and FREE to Arboretum Foundation members.

School Program Tours at the Arboretum

Tours led by trained Arboretum guides, 60 to 90 minutes in length, are available for your class or youth group throughout the year. Tour topics include: Plants & People of the Pacific Northwest, Seasonal Splendors, and Wetland Ecology. The fee is $10 for each group of 15 or fewer and requires three weeks advance registration.

arboretum plant study program

Each section of this year-round study program focuses on a different set of trees, shrubs, vines, and ground covers in the Washington Park Arboretum, and includes field work on plant identification, plus discussions of plant selection, placement, and function within the urban environment.

In each section you will study at least 15 plants not covered in any other section during the same calendar year; over 300 plants will be covered annually. Plants will be studied in the season of their most distinguishing characteristics (flowers, fruits, etc.).

Summer, Section A: Saturday, July 18, from 9 a.m. to Noon

Instructor: Scott Conner, Consultant Horticulturist, Conner Enterprises
Location: Washington Park Arboretum (departs from Graham Visitors Center)
Fee: $15 general public, $13 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, class size limited

Summer, Section B: Saturday, August 1, 9 a.m. to Noon

Instructor: Midori Murai, M.S. Student, Center for Urban Horticulture (CUH)
Location: Washington Park Arboretum (departs from Graham Visitors Center)
Fee: $15 general public, $13 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, class size limited

Summer, Section C: Saturday, August 15 from 9 a.m. to Noon

Instructor: Eric Gay, M.F.R. Student, CUH
Location: Washington Park Arboretum (departs from Graham Visitors Center)
Fee: $15 general public, $13 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, class size limited

Summer, Section D: Saturday, September 19, from 9 a.m. to Noon

Instructor: Randall Hitchin, Registrar, CUH Washington Park Arboretum
Location: Washington Park Arboretum (departs from Graham Visitors Center)
Fee: $15 general public, $13 Arboretum Foundation members; pre-registration required, class size limited

design studio

Focus on Small Urban Gardens

Date & Time: Saturday, September 12, 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Bob Chittock, Landscape Designer
Location: Douglas Classroom, Union Bay
Fee: $27; pre-registration required, class size limited to 12

This studio provides the opportunity to problem solve with a top landscape designer. It is **not** for those individuals interested in designing their garden from scratch, but rather for **persons working to correct or enhance existing landscapes.**

The studio includes a brief discussion of the focus topic, followed by opportunities for each attendee to discuss their needs with the designer while the rest of the attendees listen to and participate in the problem-solving discussions that ensue. In order to enhance the studio experience, **each student is asked to bring along a scale drawing of the garden area under consideration**, as well as photos, illustrations or other relevant resources on the site to be discussed.

arboretum foundation news

Plant Donations Sales

The Plant Donations Department is open for the season through October. Members sell favorites from their own gardens at great prices. Current hours are Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to Noon.

Pat Calvert Plant Sales

A wide variety of plants are always available for purchase from the Pat Calvert Greenhouse in the Arboretum every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to Noon, and the first Saturday of the month, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Arboretum Foundation Volunteers grow plants from seeds or cuttings from specimens in the collections of the Arboretum.

Member Discounts

Arboretum Foundation members enjoy a 10% discount in the Arboretum Gift Shop, and discounts on selected UW-CUH programs, plus invitations to members-only events. Call 325-4510 to join!

Annual Fall Bulb Sale

Mark your calendars now for the Fall Bulb Sale, Sunday, October 4, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum. Plan a dazzling spring garden from this wide selection of unusual bulbs and other plants. Call 325-4510 for information.

northwest horticultural society news

Phone (206) 527-1794 for more information or to register for the following events.

Fall Plant Sale

Friday, September 25, and Saturday, September 26, from 4 to 9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, CUH. Wide variety of trees, shrubs, bulbs, ferns, perennials.

Lecture on Border Maintenance

Border Maintenance & Grooming, field lecture and demonstration by designers Glen Withey and Charles Price, Wednesday, July 15, from 1:30 to 3 p.m., Wells Medina Nursery, $15 NHS members, $25 general public, class size limited.

Great Gardens' Gardeners

Great Gardens' Gardeners Symposium, featuring Nori Pope of Hadspen House, Sybille Kruetzberger & Pamela Schwerdt of Sissinghurst Castle, Wayne Amos of the White House, and Lauren Springer, designer from Colorado, Saturday, July 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Museum of History & Industry Auditorium, $95 NHS members, $115 general public.

Class on Tropical Borders

Designing, Installing and Maintaining a Tropical Border, field lecture and demonstration by Ben Hammontree, Wednesday, September 9, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Brotman Garden, $15 NHS members, $25 general public, class size limited.

Lecture on West Coast Gardens

Principles for Planting West Coast Gardens, lecture by California designer Chris Rosmini, Wednesday, September 16, 7:30 p.m., NHS Hall, CUH Union Bay, $5 NHS members, $10 general public.

Mail payment and registration to:

Urban Horticulture Courses
University of Washington
Box 354115
Seattle, Washington 98195-4115

Or you may register in person at the Union Bay campus, 3501 NE 41st St., M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Please make checks payable to the University of Washington. No bank cards.

Registrations are filled in the order received. Enrollment is limited, classes fill rapidly- register early. A portion of fees may cover refreshments and speaker expenses.

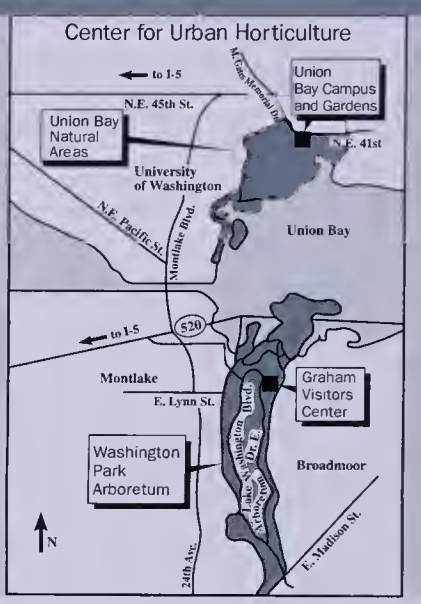
Refunds: Requests for refunds on events not attended must be made in advance in writing, by phone or fax, or in person. Requests received 7 days or less from first class meeting have a $5.00 handling fee deducted. No refunds can be given after the first class meeting.

If a program is cancelled for any reason a full refund will be given to all enrollees. Refunds may require four weeks for processing.

Returned Checks: An $18.00 service fee will be charged for returned checks.

Special Needs: To request disability accommodation, please contact the Office of the ADA Coordinator at least ten days in advance of an event: (206) 543–6450 (voice); (206) 543–6452 (TDD); or by e-mail at access@u.washington.edu.

Class Locations and Parking: Program locations are listed with each program description. The Graham Visitors Center at Washington Park Arboretum is located at 2300 Arboretum Drive East; free parking is located adjacent to the building. Douglas Classroom, NHS Hall and the other meeting facilities at Union Bay are located at 3501 NE 41st Street; prepaid parking is located adjacent to the buildings.



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registration form

program	fee	af members	# spaces	total fee
Construction Demonstrations				
Wooden Fences	$27	$24		
Patios & Pathways	$27	$24		
Prop Shop				
Native Plant Propagation: Seeds	$35			
Gardening & Horticulture Programs				
Field Sketching	$40	$35		
WSU Practical Gardening Lectures: Starting & Growing Winter Vegetables	$5			
WSU Practical Gardening Lectures: Harvesting, Saving, Using Herbs	$5			
Walks & Tours				
Behind the Scenes: New Zealand Garden	$5	$3		

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Arboretum Plant Study Program				
Section A (July 18)	$15	$13		
Section B (August 1)	$15	$13		
Section C (August 15)	$15	$13		
Section D (September 19)	$15	$13		
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Small Urban Gardens	$27			

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WSU Master Gardeners Extend Hours at CUH: In addition to their participation in the UW-WSU jointly coordinated Washington Garden Clinic held every Monday from 4 to 7:45 p.m., the WSU Master Gardener volunteers are striving to maintain additional office hours in Merrill Hall at CUH. These additional hours are Wednesdays from 12 to 4 p.m., Thursdays from 12 to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; however, you are advised to phone ahead first (206 205-8616) to make sure that the volunteers are indeed there to assist you. Come in during any of these times to get your gardening questions answered or to have pest or disease problems diagnosed.

Lending Collection: Nearly 2,000 local gardeners are now signed up to borrow books from the Miller Library lending collection. Gifts of books, videos and CD-ROMs from Maureen Conners, the Northwest office of Sunset Magazine, and Dick Brown, Director of Bloedel Reserve, have recently enlarged and enriched the collection. Register to borrow books just like at a public library by showing two pieces of identification with a current address, then take home up to three books at a time for three weeks, or videos for one week. New titles available for lending include a six volume set of videos entitled *The Art and Practice of Gardening* by Penelope Hobhouse, *Planting Noah's Garden* by Sara Stein, and *The Smaller Perennials* by Jack Elliott.

Development News: Plans are underway for a 15th Anniversary celebration for CUH: ground was broken in the fall of 1983 and our first building was dedicated in the fall of 1984. Several special events are being planned and a major sponsor is being sought to fund some of these events. If your garden club or business is interested in supporting these activities, please call Laura Lipton at (206) 685-2591 for more information.

Items on the CUH Wish List: Students at CUH need computers to do ecological and statistical analysis. If you or your company are upgrading and have used desktops (486 or newer) please consider donating them to CUH. All donations are tax-deductible. Call Laura Lipton, Public Information Specialist, at (206) 685-2591 for more information.

Library Summer Hours: The library is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays through the end of June; in July and August the library will be closed on Saturdays while maintaining the same weekday hours. Saturday hours will resume again after Labor Day (September 12).

Reference Questions by Phone and E-Mail: Remember that you can reach library staff in person or by leaving a voice mail message at (206) 543-0415, or by e-mail at hortlib@u.washington.edu if you prefer.

Erma Gunther Garden Reopening Celebration: A special reopening celebration for the Erma Gunther Ethnobotanical Garden at the Burke Museum on the UW campus has been set for September 13, 2 p.m. at Kane Hall on the main campus. The celebration will begin with a lecture on "Native Plants in your Garden" followed by a tour of the garden. For more information, contact Susan Libonati-Barnes, Curator of the Erma Gunther Garden, at (206) 543-5592.

Building Facilities Manager Named at WPA: Congratulations to Josey Fast who has been hired as the new Facilities Manager at Washington Park Arboretum. Her duties will include managing building rentals and evening and weekend manager staff, and coordinating front desk receptionists at the Graham Visitors Center.

volunteer news & opportunities

Brian Mulligan Recognition Award: Congratulations to the newest Brian Mulligan Recognition Award recipients Lee Clarke and Dorothy MacArthur who were recognized for their outstanding volunteer efforts at the annual Winter Dessert Buffet. An honor well deserved by both!

Volunteers Needed for Youth Programs: Do you enjoy working with children? Care about the environment? Love being outdoors? We need people to lead school tours and afterschool programs who convey fun, have flexible schedules, and are willing to learn about the flora and fauna of the Arboretum. Training for these new guides begins in September. Call (206) 543-8800 for information or to apply.

April Arboretum Volunter Projects a Success: Two events this past April brought record numbers of volunteers into the Arboretum. On April 5, 22 arborists from the International Society of Arboriculture and PlantAmnesty volunteered 103 hours pruning 18 trees along Lake Washington Boulevard. On April 18, 150 volunteers participated in Earthwork Northwest projects in the Arboretum, contributing 525 hours of energetic English ivy removal (and other weeds) from large sections of the Pinetum, Foster Island, Lilacs, Lagoon, hillside trails and the East Helen Street boundary. Earthworks participants came from the Arboretum Foundation, CH2M Hill, Cub Scouts, Emeritus Corporation, Onyx Software, Parametrix, and the Arboretum community.

Volunteer Events: Back by popular demand! Eat lots of great food and mingle with fellow volunteers, students, and staff at the early autumn Volunteer BBQ Potluck held the week after Labor Day. Watch your mailboxes for invitations.

Front Desk Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to work at the reception desk in Merrill Hall at CUH. Shifts are 4 hours, and duties include answering the phone, greeting the public, and some light office work. For more information, contact Ray Larson at (206) 616-9113.

Arboretum Maintenance Volunteers Needed: Summer "Tuesdays In The Garden" work parties are set and awaiting your participation! Upcoming projects include Rhododendron Glen on July 14, Pinetum on August 11, and Viburnums on September 8. Each work party is from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call Christina Pfeiffer at 328-4182 to sign up.

Welcome to Newest Volunteers: CUH & WPA are pleased to welcome aboard the following new volunteers: Saplings- Susan Chen, Rose Fitzpatrick, Lisa Soderquist, Laura Tudor, Estelle Wynn; Branching Out- Acaia Smith, Thursday Moya; Class Monitors- Gemma Alexander, Front Desk- Craig Hobson, Rebecca Emshoff.

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